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Ohio State Glee Club To Perform on Sunday

The Ohio State University Men's Glee Club will give a concert in the Alumni Gymnasium this Sunday at 4 p.m. The concert is being sponsored by the Choir and the Chapel Board.

The group, which is under the direction of Mr. Norman Steiger, consists of 40 men and one girl. They have appeared on the Ed Sullivan Show and on the Voice of Firestone program.

Some of the selections which will be offered include *Miserere mei Deus* by Allegri, *Shivisi* by Salomon Sulzer in an arrangement by Staiger, and *Turn Back, O Man* by G. Holst-Lefebvre.

Among the lighter numbers which the Club will sing are *Stomp Your Feet* by Aaron Copland and *Red Wing*, arranged by R. Harter.

The group, which uses a unique broken stage setting, will sing selections from concert radio chorales and current Broadway hits. Included in this segment of the program will be a Norman Luboff arrangement of *A-Roving*, and a Clay Warnick setting of *Just One of Those Things*.

Hamilton's Choir will also sing at the concert.

Although there is no admission charge to the concert, a collection will be taken, the proceeds of which will go to the Campus Fund.

Tonight the Choir will be in Syracuse, where it will sing at the Convent School for the benefit of the American Guild of Organists. Mr. John Baldwin, director of the Choir, is an associate of the Guild.

The program will consist of five motets, a group of folk songs, and some lighter numbers. The Choir will offer *McCord's Menagerie*, a modern number based on the sounds of four animals. Phil Hineline will perform a piano solo of Khachaturian's *Tocatta*. The Brass Ensemble and the Buffers will also perform.

The Choir will begin its annual spring tour at noon on Thursday. The group will sing at an assembly concert at Edmonston High School at Edmonston, New York, that afternoon and will give an evening concert at Harpur College in Vestal.

On Friday evening at 8 p.m., the members of the Choir will perform at a concert in the First Methodist Church of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. The Brass Ensemble will also perform.

The Choir will then travel to the Welsh Valley Junior High School in Narberth, Pennsylvania, where it will perform in a concert beginning at 8:15 p.m. The Alumni Society of Philadelphia will sponsor the concert.

On Palm Sunday the group will sing at an afternoon service in the Washington Cathedral, where it will present the American premiere of a Mass by Langlais, a contemporary French organist. The Alumni Society of Washington will entertain the group at dinner after the performance.

The Choir will conclude its tour with a concert at the National Gallery of Art on Sunday evening at 7:15 p.m. This concert will include a program similar to the one offered at Syracuse.

Freshmen Select Four Candidates For Class Offices

Four freshmen have been nominated for the presidency of next year's sophomore class, according to Sandy Ratzan, chairman of the Elections Committee.

The four are Tyrone Brown, Ben DeWinter, Hank Drewal, and Jerry Gottlieb. The election will take place next week.

Brown, a graduate of East Orange High School in East Orange, New Jersey, was president of the Student Council, a justice on his school court, and sports editor of his school newspaper. He also lettered in track.

Brown, a pledge of Tau Kappa Epsilon, is a member of the football and lacrosse teams and of the Judiciary Committee of the Freshman Council.

DeWinter, who was graduated from Ferndale High School, Ferndale, Michigan, was president of his junior and senior classes and a member of the Student Council. He was a member of the varsity tennis team and of his school band.

A pledge of Emerson Literary Society, DeWinter is currently class president. He also serves on the Student Admissions Committee and the Freshman Council.

Drewal, also an Emersonian pledge, is from Hempstead High School, Hempstead, New York. At Hamilton he is a member of the squash team and the varsity tennis team.

Gottlieb was graduated from Far Rockaway High School in Far Rockaway, New York, where he was captain of the swimming team and secretary and treasurer of his school's general organization. He was a member of Arista, New York City's high school honorary society.

Gottlieb, a member of Hamilton's swimming team, set and then lowered the school record in the 200-yard butterfly. He is pledged to Delta Upsilon.

VISITING GEOLOGIST — Dr. James H. Zumberge, professor of geology at the University of Michigan, discusses lab problems with Hamilton students. The glaciologist lectured on Antarctica in the Chapel Tuesday.

Noted Glaciologist Lectures About American Role in IGY

—*by* DOUG WHEELER

With the aid of exceptionally vivid Kodachrome slides, Dr. James H. Zumberge, professor of geology at the University of Michigan, presented Tuesday a chronicle of American participation in the 1957-58 International Geophysical Year project at Antarctica.

Zumberge, introduced as "one of the world's foremost glaciologists," led a crew of seven that studied glacial deformation 60 miles from the outpost at Little America. He described Antarctica as an ice-covered continent the size of Europe and the United States combined.

The ice, he said, is 10,000 feet thick in most places and is growing in area despite the diminishing effect of evaporation and melting. To demonstrate the scale of geologic activity, Zumberge showed a slide depicting the birth of a four mile iceberg. Some icebergs, he said, are as large as the New England states.

After preparing for the flight to Antarctica at Christ's Church, New Zealand, Zumberge and his colleagues flew to Little America, the base that had been established in 1911 by Capt. Robert Scott. Buildings at the base, made of prefabricated panels erected at the site, are covered with snow. From the air, as Zumberge showed, only flagpoles, smokestacks, air vents, and antennas are visible. Designed to withstand the weight of snow for three years, the buildings have been replaced five times. The temperature in October at Little America is 46° F.

From relatively comfortable quarters at Little America, Zumberge and his small crew travelled in tractors and motorized sleds some 60 miles across the featureless Ross Ice Shelf to the site that is now Camp Michigan. There, on a floating mass of ice the size of Spain, Zumberge built a small camp from which he could explore the surrounding area.

Traveling in groups of three or more, the men planted instruments to record changes in the deformation of ice and examined geologic formations not unlike those found in more conventional rock. Zumberge's most spectacular slide showed a scientist suspended in a deep crevasse not far from Camp Michigan.

Despite a sub-surface temperature of -23° C., the geologist was able to measure deformation in much the same manner that colleagues examine the Grand Canyon. To cross a crevasse, Zumberge and his crew were forced to build a snow bridge. Vehicles were equipped with feelers to detect large gaps in the ice, since a thin covering of snow often obscures them.

Slept in Tents

Zumberge and his assistants slept in tents. They erected a small wooden hut in which to cook and eat, but were provided with electricity by a gasoline-powered generator. Because of the time required to assure survival, only one hour in five was spent at work. Supplies were sometimes brought from Little America, but, according to Zumberge, the crew depended mainly on food it had brought with it. To celebrate holidays, the men perfected a recipe for Antarctic old fashioneds which Zumberge was reluctant to divulge.

Of the relics of earlier expeditions found by the geologists, none was appreciated more than a supply of beef left in 1939 by Admiral Byrd and preserved by low temperatures.

Zumberge stressed the peaceful co-existence practiced by American and Soviet participants. He included photographs of Russian geologists and of the ship they used to explore the Antarctic region.

No Resources

In response to a question following the lecture, Zumberge attributed current international cooperation in the Antarctic to the fact that no valuable resources have yet been found. When it is discovered that the continent has an economic potential, he implied, cooperation will give way to competition.

Zumberge's visit was sponsored by the American Geologic Institution and the National Science Foundation.

WRITER AT FAULT —

Charlatans Present Poor Play

—*by* VINCENT DELUCA

The Charlatans attempted another flight into the esoteric with their second production of the season, *A Sleep of Prisoners* by Christopher Fry. Unfortunately the play was neither as interesting nor as well performed as the Charlatans' first production of the year, *Waiting for Godot*.

The fault does not lie entirely with the actors or with the production itself. Fry's play has all the obscurity of *Godot* without the compensating simplicity of structure and illuminating intimations which Beckett's work posesses. *A Sleep of Prisoners* fairly bristles with the cliches of a now slightly dated but once *avant-garde* type of play. We are liberally treated with psychological personality conflicts, overtones of Freud, paraphrase of modern theme by resource to myth or, in this case, the Old Testament, and the inevitable Joycean dream sequences.

The Charlatans make a fairly strong attempt to handle the material which Fry has presented them. The directors, Woody Starkweather and Sam Crowl, skillfully establish the themes and emphasis of the play in the finely paced opening scene.

Unfortunately the main theme, the conflict between Pvt. Peter Able (Dan Dietrich) and Pvt. David King (Starkweather), is not presented so successfully in its successive re-iterations in the form of Biblical dreams. Perhaps the indifferent quality of the acting is responsible for this lapse.

Both Starkweather and Crowl prove better directors than they are actors. Starkweather's rendering of the part of King is somewhat heavier than seems necessary for that character. He is not reflective enough when the part demands reflection, and at emotional moments his acting comes close to a sort of ranting. Starkweather does, however, know what to do with himself on stage. He has excellent physical control and vigor of movement which is frequently more convincing than his vocal performance.

Crowl, who plays Cpl. Joseph Adams, gives a disappointing performance. Both his delivery and movements are wooden and give no indication whatsoever of the nature of the character he is attempting to portray. Adams is not only the leader of the four prisoners but also the stabilizing influence in the conflict of the play. Crowl's performance displays none of the presence of authority which his role demands.

It is more difficult to explain precisely what is wrong with Dietrich's performance. He delivers Fry's difficult lines mellifluously and with the appearance of profundity. This, however, is where the trouble lies. Dietrich gives the impression that he is aware of nothing in the play except the esoteric nature of the lines he is speaking. Less intonation out of an artistic trance and more response to the other actors in the play would help Dietrich's performance. It would also be helpful if Dietrich would miss his cues less frequently.

Mike Badenhausen, who plays the somewhat enigmatic Pvt. Meadows, does the best job of acting among the four. He interprets his role with dignity and humor and has remarkable stage presence. He speaks a little too rapidly, and at times his brogue becomes too thick for easy understanding. Badenhausen is less convincing as the voice of God and of the angel, but his general performance is more than competent.

The direction of the play is generally good, especially, as we have noted, in the opening of the play. Its chief fault lies in the transitions from reality to dream sequences and back, again. These transitions are abrupt and unconvincing. We also wish that Starkweather and Crowl staged fewer bits of business in the darkness of the wings, the center aisle of the Chapel, and in the balcony. This is frustrating to the audience, which would like to see as well as hear the speakers.

Perhaps the chief difficulty with the current production is the choice of the play itself. *A Sleep of Prisoners* is not the kind of play that readily elicits either the interest of the audience or the best skills of the actor. It is difficult and obscure without being fascinating.

It is admirable that the Charlatans are attempting to avoid the hackneyed amateur company favorites, but they must be wary of belaboring and making a cult of unorthodoxy. Ionesco, Fry, Beckett, and Auden are fine up to a point, but room should be made for other types of drama as well. Whatever has become of Ibsen, Shaw, Chekhov, and Pirandello; or for that matter, of Shakespeare and the Greeks?

New Heads Chosen For Publications At Board Meeting

The Publications Board, meeting on Tuesday, elected the editors-in-chief of Hamilton publications for next year.

The new editors are Bill Nelson for the *Spectator*, Pete Crumb for the *Hamiltonian*, and Mike Kaiser for the *Continental*. Skip Granville was chosen business manager of publications.

The Publications Board also announced that the annual Publications Banquet will be held on Wednesday, Apr. 5.

Nelson, Moulton Appointed To Direct Spectator's Staff

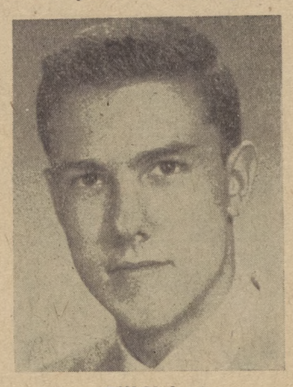
Bill Nelson has been named the new editor-in-chief of the *Spectator*, announces Ed Roth, the present editor. Nelson and his staff will begin publishing the paper after Spring Vacation.

Other appointments are Bruce Moulton, managing editor; Dave Espey, assistant editor; Steve Wilkinson, assistant editor; Herb Kestenbaum, news editor; Doug Wheeler, feature editor; Dick Skillman, make-up editor; and Marty Linihan, sports editor.

Roth announced these appointments last night at a meeting of the *Spectator's* editorial board.

Nelson, a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon, has worked on the staff of the *Spectator* for three years. He was assistant news editor during his sophomore year and news editor this year. As the representative to the Student Senate from TKE, Nelson served as a member of the Rushing Committee.

Moulton, also a member of TKE, has worked on the feature and managing staffs of the paper for two years. In his sophomore year, he was assistant feature editor and in his junior year, he was feature editor. Moulton has also been a member of the Biology Club for two years.



Bill Nelson

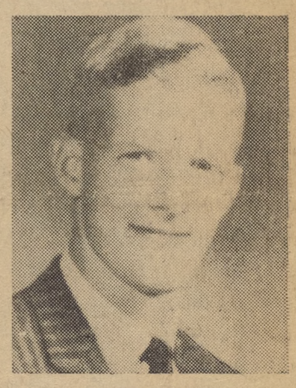
Espey, an Alpha Delt, has worked for the *Spectator* since his freshman year. He has served in the positions of sports editor and assistant news editor. He is also a member of the Student Curriculum Committee and the Hamilton Literary Society. He ran track in his freshman year.

Wilkinson, a Gryphon, has worked for the *Spectator* for two years. During the past year he has been managing editor.

Kestenbaum, a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon, has worked on the news, sports, feature and managing staffs of the *Spectator*. He has been assistant news editor since December. Kestenbaum is also a member of the Press Board.

Wheeler, an Emersonian, has worked on the news, feature, and managing staffs of the paper for two years and has been assistant feature editor since December. He was vice president of the Hamilton Students for Nixon-Lodge and is also secretary of the International Relations Club.

Skillman, a member of Delta Upsilon, has worked for the news, feature, and managing staffs of the *Spectator*. He has been assistant managing editor this year.



Bruce Moulton

Linihan, also a DU, has worked on the *Spectator's* news and sports staffs and has been assistant sports editor this year. He is a member of the track team and of the Student Admissions Committee and is running for president of his class.

Roth also announced the appointment of Steve Busky and Denny Greenley as reporters. Bill Berg, Rick Pfau, and Jay VanSchoick were also appointed to the make-up staff.

College Prohibits Use of Buildings During Evenings

A recent series of malicious acts on the Hill resulted in the Judiciary Committee's announcing in Tuesday Chapel that it had recommended that the Administration close all classroom buildings during the night.

Dick Blessing, chairman of the committee, said that unless the perpetrator of these acts turned himself in before Wednesday, Mar. 13, the Administration would close the buildings, which were formerly left open for studying.

Blessing expressed doubt, however, that "anyone immature enough to commit these acts of vandalism would be man enough to turn himself in."

Associate Dean Sidney Wertimer said later that Blessing's recommendation followed a similar decision by the Administration. He added that the proposal resulted from a series of vandalisms, among them a fire last weekend in Root Hall.

Wertimer said that a fire caused the water sprinklers in Root Hall to go off at 8:05 p.m., Sunday night, during Chapel. When he arrived, Wertimer said, the fire had already been put out by the sprinkler system, which had flooded the third floor.

Wertimer noted that the fire originated in a closet on the third floor, where someone had used a candle and a pile of papers to trigger the sprinkling system.

The greatest amount of damage was done to Professor Thomas Johnston's office. Wertimer noted that, although several bookcases and some test papers were removed in time, many papers and much of Johnston's personal library were damaged.

Wertimer said that several smaller fires had occurred in Root Hall about three weeks ago. At that time he announced that further fires would result in the Hall's being closed.

He added that, in closing all the buildings on the Hill, the College does not want to punish the students but to protect its property. He explained that a fire in Root Hall would be easily extinguished by the sprinkling system but that a fire in the buildings without a system could result in serious destruction.

Wertimer noted that last weekend saw the greatest single amount of wanton destruction on the Hill in recent years. In addition to the fire in Root Hall, several other acts were reported.

Sometime between Saturday night and Sunday morning four storm windows were broken and the rubber floor mat stolen from the PX.

Later Sunday morning, between 3 a.m. and 4 a.m., six of the light globes on the entrance gates were broken by snowballs. Wertimer, however, does not necessarily attribute these breakings to Hamilton students.

Sophomore Class To Hold Election; Four Seek Office

Sandy Ratzan, chairman of the Elections Committee, announced that four sophomores have submitted petitions for the presidency of their class next year. John Pierson, Wes Oler, Pierre Bourgeois and Marty Linihan are seeking the office in the elections to be held next Tuesday.

Oler, a member of Gryphon, is presently secretary-treasurer of his class. In high school he was co-captain of the tennis team and a member of the Student Council.

Pierson, a member of ADP, who has played varsity football for two years, received his letter this year. Last year he was on the junior varsity lacrosse team.

Bourgeois, a member of ELS, is a member of the Charaltans and the Tabard Society. In high school he was one of the founders and the president of the Honor Court, president of his junior class, a member of the Drama Club and the Student Council, and a founder of the literary magazine.

Linihan, DU, is a member of the Student Admissions Committee and the varsity track team and is the assistant sports editor of the *Spectator*. In high school he was on the varsity track team and was the secretary of the Boys High Y.

No Issue

There will be no issue of the *Spectator* next week.

BLOOD DRIVE — Jay Whitesides prepares to give blood as nurses and other donors watch. Hamilton students contributed 156 pints, 18 more than last year. Was Los sponsors the annual drive.

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Program Unproven —

Last October the *Spectator* explained in an editorial its opposition to the new program adopted by the faculty to prevent underachievement. We noted at the time that the program adopted at Amherst, on which Hamilton's was admittedly patterned, was as yet unproven. An article in the February 20 issue of the *Amherst Student* announced that the Amherst faculty had voted unanimously to end its underachiever program.

Our editorial in October stated that "a system involving so drastic a remedy as separation of a student from the College should be adopted only when it is proven the best remedy. If in the next several years Amherst students show a marked improvement in academic achievement, then, perhaps, our faculty might be justified in imitating their system."

According to Dean C. Scott Porter of Amherst, "the faculty feels there are better ways of approaching this problem than the one used at Amherst since the fall of 1958." This fall nine of the original twelve underachievers returned to Amherst after a year's leave of absence. At the end of one semester it became evident that less than half of the group were doing better work than previously and that the remainder were doing about the same or poorer work than before.

We stated in our previous editorial that the methods for detecting an underachiever were highly subjective. Dean Tolles stated that a student's potential could not be accurately judged by standardized tests. Thus the detection of an underachiever must rest with his instructors. According to the Amherst paper, however, "it became obvious that individual faculty members were becoming more and more reluctant to suggest the name of a student for this list, fearing that the student might be forced to take a year's leave of absence. It became evident that at least one faculty member could be found for every suspected underachiever to state that the student concerned was not an underachiever."

Our chief objection to the underachievement system is that it imposes standards which vary from student to student and that it attempts to legislate diligence. The recent decision on the part of Amherst's faculty indicates that the system, which is clearly unsound in principle, is also unworkable in practice.

Amherst College Abandons Underachievement Program

—*by* DOUG WHEELER

Winton Tolles, Dean of the College, yesterday reaffirmed his belief that the underachievement program at Hamilton is "essentially sound." Tolles' comment followed an announcement at Amherst that a similar program there had been abandoned in favor of a more effective solution.

C. Scott Porter, Dean of Students at Amherst, announced Feb. 20, according to the *Amherst Student*, that "the faculty feels there are better ways of approaching this problem than the one used at Amherst since the fall of 1958." In 1958, the names of 51 Amherst students were suggested as "possible underachievers."

The number then declined sharply, due in part to the faculty's reluctance to classify students as underachievers. Professors expressed concern that at least one member of the faculty could be found to support a student's record. They also feared that a year's leave of absence might be too severe a penalty.

Informal Counseling

"At the end of one semester," the *Student* reported, "it became evident that less than one-half of the (suspended) group were doing better work than previously and that the remainder were either doing about the same or poorer work than before." Douglas C. Wilson, a junior at Amherst and chairman of the Editorial Board of the *Student* told the *Spectator* Tuesday that the administration there had "reverted to informal counseling" to solve the underachievement problem.

Writing to parents in October, Dean Tolles cited the Amherst experiment as a significant move toward changing the attitudes of those students who were "smugly satisfied with grades unworthy of their ability." Tolles told the *Spectator* yesterday that the program at Amherst had been abandoned too soon. He noted, however, that the faculty there had been opposed to it. They were afraid, he said, that the student who did more than the ordinary amount of outside work would be penalized for not doing exceptionally well in class.

The program at Hamilton, Tolles added, is more conservative than the one rejected by Amherst. Adopted by the Trustees in June, 1960, it met with little opposition from the faculty and was implemented in only ten cases. These students were selected after all their teachers had submitted reports. Each had been counseled without success and not one was active in campus activities when selected. Neither was there a student whose poor class work could be attributed to extensive outside reading, as had been the fear at Amherst.

Ten Selected

Of the ten men selected as underachievers in June, one has left school, one has shown no improvement, and eight have demonstrated "varying degrees of improvement."

"The record clearly shows," Tolles said, "that a great majority of the students chosen have shown improvement."

This can be attributed at least in part, he noted, to the underachievement program.

Tolles believes that the program has its greatest value as a demonstration of the administration's intent to see that a student is working at capacity. Although the present system may be an experiment, he said, it will be continued for "at least three or four years" or until major faults are found. A student is classified as an underachiever, according to the Dean, only after "more pleasant means have failed." With one exception, parents writing the Dean have favored the program.

"In June," Tolles said, "the Board of Review will examine the year's record, studying both grades and the detailed comments of instructors. If the desired improvement has not occurred, the Board will require the student to leave Hamilton."

Tolles Supervises Group Evaluation Of Music School

Dean Winton Tolles visited a school in Philadelphia during the last week in February to conduct an extensive evaluation of its educational program.

Tolles was accompanied by a six-member evaluation committee of which he is the chairman. The group is affiliated with the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

The team spent four days at the Philadelphia Music Academy, which, according to Tolles, had applied for initial accreditation from the Middle States Association. It had also requested membership in the National Association of Schools of Music.

Tolles noted that the primary and immediate objective of the evaluation was to determine the educational effectiveness of the school. The team investigated both facilities and teaching methods.

French Institute Selects College For Annual Prize

L'Association de la Bonne Volonte Franco-Americaine has awarded its annual prize for the development of Franco-American culture to Hamilton, President Robert W. McEwen announced Wednesday.

The Institution each year selects the college in the United States which has done the most to develop French culture in this country and to promote mutual friendship between the youth of the two countries.

In recognition of this achievement, the Institute will send to the department of French some scientific publications from the Pasteur Institute of Algeria and copies of documents from *Cosmographiae Introductio*, written and printed in 1507. In the documents, written after the reports of Amerigo Vespucci, appears for the first time the name of America, proposed by scholars of the time as a name for the New World.

Andre Maurois, noted French author and a member of L'Academie Francaise, is the honorary president of the Institution. L. Julliot de la Morandiere, president, informed the College of the award.

Brooklyn College To Host Debaters

Hamilton's debate team will travel to Brooklyn College for its eighth tournament of the year on Mar. 17 and 18.

The members of the team at this tournament will be Paul Wagner, Steve Melken, Dave Lieberman, and Bob Lanson. Prof. J. Franklin Hunt will act as a judge in the tournament.

Two other debate tournaments are also scheduled for this year. They will be held at Cortland State Teachers College and at New York University.

Was Los Reports Blood Drive Total

Phil Hineline, chairman of Was Los, the junior honorary society, announced Tuesday that 156 pints of blood were contributed last Friday to the Was Los blood drive.

"The drive," according to Hineline, "was quite successful." He noted that the staff from the Red Cross was kept busy collecting blood during the entire day.

Hineline noted that 49 potential donors were rejected for reasons ranging from colds to lack of sleep. The number of pints given was also lowered by the short-handed staff.

Last year, according to Hineline, Was Los collected 136 pints of blood.

JUST NO STORIES

by JOHN NICHOLS

SCRAGGLY PEANUTS STARTS A CRAZE

Scraggly Peanuts started a new craze in our house last September. It all began when Scraggly was down in Hal Hampton's Turf Bar. He and Hal were tossing down shot glasses of Hal's needled beer at the rate of one shot a minute, and after about 45 minutes, Hal said,

"You know, Scrags, there was a guy in here the other day who said that if a guy wants to eat a lightbulb, he can, and what's more, lightbulbs are good."

Well, Scraggly wasn't so sure about this, but he said it sounded interesting, and just how did a guy go about eating a lightbulb in the first place?

"Well," said Hal, "This guy said a guy ought to take just any old bulb, and chomp on it for a long time until the glass is all fine, and then swallow." Hal didn't know watt else a guy should do.

"OK," said Scraggly, "I guess it's best to start with a 25 watt bulb," so Hal took a blue, 25 watt bulb out of a beer sign, and gave it to Scraggly, and Scraggly chomped on it for a while, and smiled, and asked could he wash that down with another beer please.

Hal forgot to close his bar that night. He and Scraggly really enjoyed those lightbulbs. They couldn't stop eating them. Hal liked the red 60 watt bulbs the best, but Scraggly said the plain white 100 watt ones were best. They had real glass, he said.

About five in the morning though, Hal and Scraggly got pretty sick. Hal called an ambulance and when it came he told the hospital attendants he guessed they shouldn't have mixed the beer with their glass. They went down to the hospital and got their stomachs pumped out. They were both delighted.

After that Scraggly kept himself down pretty much to one or two bulbs a day. A lot of the other guys in the house tried it, and pretty soon our house manager, Howie Marmalade, began to complain about the lose of lightbulbs around the house.

"Why don't you guys drink the juice instead," he said one night in a house meeting, "It's cheaper that way."

It was an electrifying thought but nobody paid any attention to him.

After a while guys quit piling into our telephone booth, and Rattie Carmicheal even stopped pushing his bed all the way to California when he heard about bulb-eating.

It became common knowledge that once a bulb has been used for a few months it is better to eat, so more guys bought lots of extra lamps in order to age more than just one or two bulbs at a time. All the brothers threw out their hotplates.

That's when the bulbonic plague started at our house. Twinky Marfile was the first guy to get gas pains, but then we all began to get them. Finally it got so bad that every one had to kind of tone down on the bulb eating.

Then, one night Scraggly Peanuts got such a bad pain in his stomach from eating lightbulbs that he fell all the way downstairs and landed on Phil, who is our house dog. Phil isn't very intelligent because he is always lying at the bottom of the steps when guys are falling down them.

We carried Scraggly over to the infirmary and the doctor took him into a little room and we all waited around for the verdict. Just about everyone had an idea what it would be.

Finally Scraggly came out looking pretty dejected and we all asked him what was the matter, and he said in a very sad voice,

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Weber Describes Unique Program Of Physical Education at Hamilton

by BILL NELSON

In the years following World War II, Hamilton College adopted a unique program of required physical education, which in recent years has been copied by several other schools.

"The program," according to Mr. Mox A. Weber, professor of physical education, "is based on the theory that it is as important to develop a good physique and a love of sport in the average man as it is to provide scope for the brilliant athlete."

Weber explained that the aim of the program in the first year is to give the student an opportunity to determine his athletic interests and to develop skill in at least two carry-over sports. After this year, the student will hopefully possess enough skill in some sport to develop his interest further. Weber noted that the College tries to develop similar interest and proficiency with its academic program.

Before War

Weber said that before World War II physical education was required for four years. All students except those participating in the intercollegiate athletic program, took the required course.

The first year of this old program, he explained, was devoted to teaching individual sports, while the second year was spent participating in team sports. The student spent his last two years, regardless of the proficiency he had attained, in the 5-6 program.

Weber noted that the teaching of team sports, except volleyball, was eliminated from the new program, since "boys with little coordination often find them of little value."

Made Compulsory

Physical education was made compulsory for all students, including those on intercollegiate teams, because many alumni who had played intercollegiate sports complained that they had not learned any carry-over sports while on the Hill.

Weber explained that the physical education requirement was reduced from four to three years because the department felt "that three years is probably enough time to develop athletic interests in a man if such an interest is ever to be developed." He also noted that under a three-year program, those who are delinquent in attendance have time to make up the delinquency.

Weber feels that Hamilton's physical education program compares favorably with that of any other college in the country. Many other schools have tried to copy the program, according to Weber, but have failed to achieve all its aims because of a lack of facilities.

Outstanding Weakness

Weber said that the outstanding weakness of the program at Hamilton is that some students fail to observe the rules about signing in and participating in activities. He said that the students who cheat "are often those most in need of the physical education program and are cheating only themselves."

Alpha Delt, Frosh To Play Monday For League Title

Southwest Dunham, led by Howie Watson's 14 points, downed Psi U by a score of 41-29 Wednesday and thus earned the right to meet Alpha Delt in the finals Monday.

Psi U will play Theta Delt in the consolation game.

Jay Van Schoick had ten points and Dom Pallotta nine for the winners. Brad Perkins led Psi U with 18 points.

Southwest actually had to beat Psi U twice to gain a position in the finals. The freshmen defeated Psi U, 38-33, last week, but the game was replayed because Southwest used an ineligible player in the first contest.

Lundin Explores Personality Study In Recent Book

Dr. Robert W. Lundin, associate professor of psychology, wrote in his new book, *Personality, an Experimental Approach,* that psychology has gradually evolved "from a study of man's sensory experience to an investigation of his behavior." He added that scientific interest has developed not toward the physical, but toward, as he calls it, "the more human side of man."

In the book, which was published recently by the Macmillan Company, Lundin uses the experimental or operational approach to the study of personality. This method, according to Lundin, leads to useful and verifiable conclusions through observing, measuring, predicting, and controlling behavior.

Freud and many of his followers, Lundin noted, were highly speculative in their approach to the study of human personality and based their theories too much on conjecture and not enough on fact.

Lundin believes that, as a result, the study of personality has suffered, because it has been filled with "untestable hypotheses and fictional concepts." He feels that, in order for this study to remain a significant and "legitimate part of scientific psychology," it must become an empirical investigation, depending on controlled observations rather than on mystical concepts and casual theories.

The book contains 450 pages.

Director Expects Increase in Gifts For Alumni Drive

$80,000 has so far been pledged to the 1961 Alumni Fund Drive, according to Mr. David I. Mead, '43, Director of Alumni Affairs.

The 1961 fund, Mead noted, began in January, and at that time an effort was made to get as many alumni as possible to make their contributions before Hamilton College Day, which this year took place on Feb. 11. $60,000 had been contributed by that day, Mead said.

Those gifts which were received by June 30 will be credited to this year's fund, according to Mead. He expects that this year's fund will pass the $100,000 mark. Last year's contributions totalled $95,398.

The money collected in the Alumni Fund Drive is used for unrestricted current operating expenses. Without the fund, Mead explained, the College would need an additional 140 to 150 dollars of tuition from each student.

The money obtained in the drive equals the earnings from two-and-one-half million dollars of endowment, Mead explained. The total endowment of the College is 12 million dollars.

The chairman of the current Alumni Fund Drive is Mr. Edward Gelsthorpe, '42. Vice chairmen are Mr. D. Gerald Kennedy, '35, and Mr. Carl B. Menges, '51.

IRC To Present Student Lecture On African Trip

Bob Rockwell will present a program of lectures and colored slides to the International Relations Club on Monday, Mar. 20, at 8 p.m. in the Root Art Center, Al Ahrens, president of the club, announced recently.

Rockwell, who studied at the Free University in West Berlin last year and journeyed into Africa, will show slides of the African trip and discuss his experiences.

Ahrens also announced that elections for next year's officers will also take place at the next meeting. He requested that all members attend.

In addition, Ahrens noted that Mr. Allen B. Dickerman, associate professor of business administration at Syracuse University, will speak to the club in April. Dickerman has worked with the International Cooperation Administration in the Philippines.

Eight Lettermen Provide Nucleus Of Baseball Club

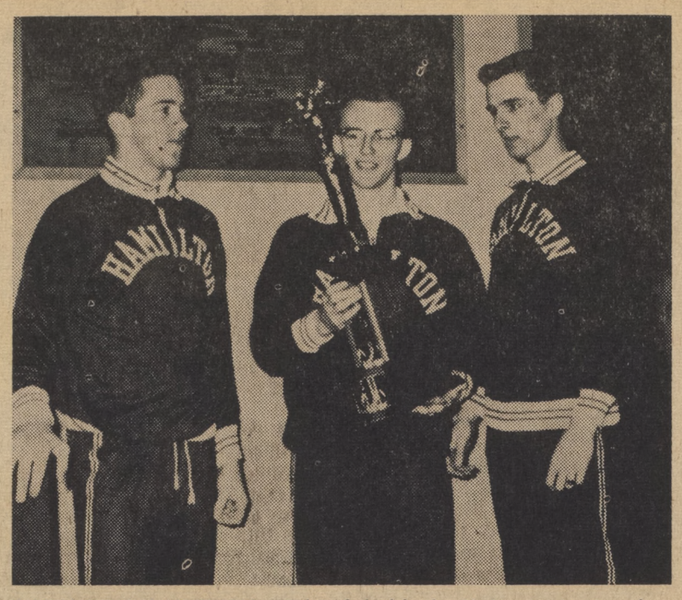
Twenty-four candidates, including eight lettermen, appeared last Monday for the opening practice of this year's baseball team. Early season practices, which are being held in the gym under the direction of Coach Greg Batt, consist of light infield and battery drills.

Returning lettermen are seniors Al Ahrens, Dick Blessing, and Doug Kirkpatrick; juniors Tim Gow, John Sullivan, Pat McDonnell, and Frank Sachs; and sophomores John Soffey and Pete Lindley. Ahrens, a first baseman, led the team in hitting last year with an average of .490.

Other upperclass candidates are Dan Burke, Bob Miller, Nick Kadick, John Conroy, and Paul Silverman. Freshmen out for the team include George Bashion, John Battin, Carl Bear, Don Burns, John Floegel, Rick Langstaff, Mel Ollestead, Don Sweeney, Marty Vona, and Al Rich.

Last year's club finished with a record of three wins and six defeats. The victories were over Stevens Tech, Hobart, and RPI.

Among the vacancies left by graduation are the starting catcher's and second baseman's jobs, and three places on the pitching staff. However, Coach Batt has ample talent from which to select players for these openings. Veterans John Sullivan and Bob Miller are the leading contenders for the starting catcher's and second baseman's spots.



INVITATIONAL VICTORY — Ed Taft holds the Union Invitational trophy as Norm Boggs and Hal von Brockdorff look on. The track team won the meet with a score of thirty points.

Hill Track Squad Wins Union Meet

Last Saturday Hamilton's track team won the fifth annual Union College indoor invitational track meet with a score of 30 points. The Continentals finished eight points ahead of the second place team.

The scoring and standings of the other teams participating in the meet were Springfield, 22; Buffalo State, 21; Alfred, 18; Union, 14½; Rochester, 12; Ithaca, 11½; Cortland, 8; U. of Buffalo, 6; Trinity, 6; Vermont, 1; RPI, 0; Roberts Wesleyan, 0; and Niagara, 0.

Hamilton's depth was the key factor since the Hill trackmen won the meet without winning a single race. Winning second places for Hamilton were Hal vonBrockdorf, Ed Taft, Lannie Eagleton, and Steve Cooney. Third places were gained by Jay Welsh, Taft, and Phil Hineline. Deming Payne and Norm Boggs won fourth places, and Howie Wilcox gained a fifth place.

Only one field house record was broken Saturday. Steve Crossman of Alfred ran the 55 yard high hurdles in 7.3 sec., two-tenths of a second better than the previous record.

Because of an official's error, the mile relay was not counted in the scoring. During Hamilton's heat, the officials miscounted the number of laps run, and the relay teams ran one extra lap.

Since official splits were not taken, an official time for Hamilton's relay team could not be determined. Had the error not been made, it is almost certain that the Hill relay team would have bettered the record of 3:40 made by Hamilton last year. In addition, Hamilton would have won the meet with 35 instead of 30 points.

SUMMARY:

50 Yard Dash: Connery (U), Cook (UR), Taft (H), Good (UR), Bister (V). 5.6.

600: Scott (A), von Brockdorff (H), Hayes (UR), Bessel (BS), Sweet (BS). 1:15.5.

1000: Walkden (S), DiCammillo (A), Winrow (BS), McClomb (S), Wilcox (H). 2:21.1.

Mile: Burns (BS), Walkden (S), Winrow (BS), McDonald (S), Lewkowitz (A). 4:31.

Broad Jump: West (I), Taft (H), Bennet (S), Payne (H), Reynolds (T). 21' 5¾".

2 Mile: Winrow (BS), Coons (I), Hineline (H), Burns (BS), McDonald (S). 10:57.

High Hurdles: Crossman (A), Eagleton (H), Henry (A), Boggs (H), Gerkin (U). 7.3.

Pole Vault: Lee (UB), Cooney (H), Swartz and Meller (U), McAllister (T). 11' 6".

Shot Put: Schwartze (C), Hanle (U), Welsh (H), Minor (U), D'Addio (C). 45' 11".

Frosh Relay: Rochester, Buffalo, Alfred. 8:22.9.

Mile Relay: Springfield, Trinity, Rochester, Cortland, Buffalo. 3:44.7. (Hamilton actually first).

The Hot Corner

by DAVE ESPEY

Self-congratulations for the correct prediction of the Patterson-Johannson fight — It must have been beginner's luck.

This is the time of year when every publication selects its all-star teams for winter sports, so we'll pick all-opponent teams in hockey and basketball. On the basis of their performances against Hamilton, we'll choose Mike Berger and Larry Long of Rochester, Gene Simonsen of St. Lawrence, Steve Steinberg of Alfred, and Dave Santos of Union. Loren Eaton of Alfred, Jim Upper of Hobart, Jim Sweet of Rochester, Paul Meuller of Ithaca, and Larry Calabrese of Utica round out the second team. In hockey, we'll pick goalie Lang Kennedy of Cornell, Phil Latreille and Dates Fryberger of Middlebury, Sandy Boardman of Colby, and for defensemen Don Young of Colby and Jack Adams of Bowdoin.

Speaking of all-star teams, the Intramural Council finally dug out from its archives the selections for intramural football and volleyball teams. Since the names have not yet been published, we'll give the all-stars their belated recognition. Named to the Blue League football team were Mike Castle, Tim Melchior, Cliff Heaton, and Dick Arnold of AD, and Steve Cooney and Bob Riordan of DU. In the Buff League, the selections were Don Epstein, Dick Salisbury, and Tim Wasson of ELS, Jack Moore and Ron Frantz of Chi Psi, and John Sullivan of TDX.

In volleyball, the Blue League all-stars were John Fredenberg, Gary Ferraro, and Emory Todd of Psi U; Mike Castle, George Elferink, and Gary House of AD; Steve Cooney of DU, Carl Hayden of Sig, and Lanie Eagleton of TKE. Named in the Buff League were Chuck Futch and Jay Welsh of DKE, Ron Frantz, Bill Lathrop, and Ken Tucker of Chi Psi; Salisbury and Epstein of ELS, and George Zeiner and Dick Perkins of Gryphon.

Epstein, John Riley, Marshall Field, Mike Kaiser, Skip Granville, and Stan Shorb form the nucleus of this year's tennis team, which has begun workout along with the lacrosses and baseball teams.

Sport Shorts — Rochester was eliminated from the NCAA small college tournament last week after losing by two points, 74-72, to Williams . . . The Yellowjackets' Mike Berger was the only basketball player whom the Continentals encountered this year to be named to the ECAC small college all-star team . . . In his brief first appearance with the New York Rangers, Phil Latreille performed "capably," according to the *New York Times* . . . The swimming team collected about $35 from the spectators at the water show last Friday . . . A real sports oddity prevented Hamilton's mile relay team from setting a new record at the Union Invitationals last week. Anchor man Hal vonBrockdorff was leading the field down the home stretch by at least 15 yards when one of the officials, instead of stretching the tape across the finish line, shot his gun to signal another lap. Hamilton's heat was thus disqualified. The Continentals won the meet in spite of this, although they did not take one first place.

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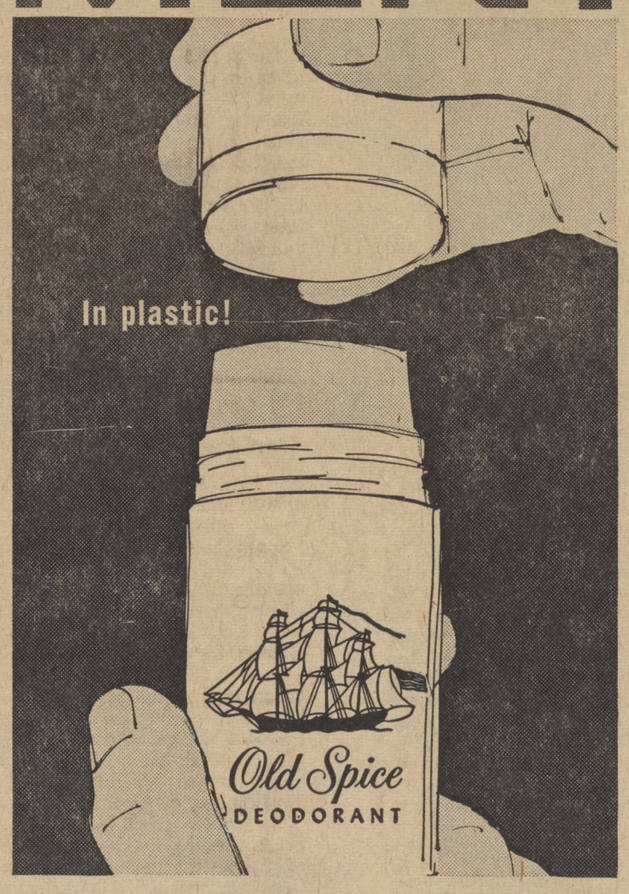

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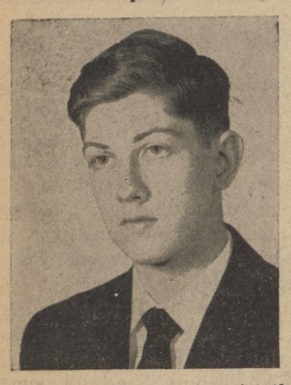
Five Juniors Run for Presidency of Student Senate

Harvey Bricker



This year I represent in the Senate the Independent students; I am a member of the Budget Committee and chairman of the Calendar Committee. By participating in the student government body, I have observed the many roles a good President must play —initiator, expeditor, and seeker of constructive compromise, not only between students, but also between the student body and the administration.

My interests at Hamilton have been primarily academic and my social relationships primarily informal. I cannot, therefore, offer as "qualifications" the customary list of teams and clubs.

Very important qualifications for any candidate are his record and the ideas he would take to office. I understand each candidate will have further opportunity publicly to discuss his views, but I shall here summarize some I consider important.

I represent in the Senate no group, but rather independent individuals. I have tried to keep as a general criterion for decision (particularly concerning the total opportunity system) the preservation of the individual's freedom.

By expanding such freedom, the total opportunity system has proved itself good but by no means good enough. Last fall in the Senate I worked for a more just interpretation of the individual's rights of association under the system.

I have been disturbed recently by what I feel are attempts to use the Senate to render more palatable unpleasant measures which will if rejected by the Senate be affected anyway by executive action or judicial interpretation. The *Student Handbook* calls the Senate "a liason group between the Student Body and the faculty and administration," but this does not mean that it is just another administrative arm. That the Senate is elected by students means it must bear foremost in mind the interests of these students.

The function of the student government body should be to achieve the maximum amount of freedom for individuals that is consistent with the maintenance of academic excellence and social order. I favor a minimum of legislative interference into student private life.

In order to assure that student interests are being considered and guarded, there should be far more interaction between representatives and constituents. To the Senate in plenary session and to its member and related committees should come suggestions, complaints, and wishes of students. Only initiative and motivation from within the student body can discourage unwelcome pressure from without.

I seek the Senate Presidency quite sincerely, welcoming an opportunity to implement the ideas outlined above.

To the Editor:

I am writing to support the candidacy of Harvey Bricker for the office of President of the Student Senate.

Harvey Bricker is not at all lacking in the qualities necessary for a good leader of the Student Senate. He has earned an outstanding scholastic record. He has served with distinction on the Senate and has demonstrated that he is willing to take a firm stand on important issues.

Perhaps the greatest issue before the Senate and the College is the supervision and implementation of the Total Opportunity program. Many pay lip-service to the principle of Total Opportunity, but few have been willing to take action against those persons who have betrayed the program with threats and obstructionism.

Harvey, as an Independent, is in a position to make an objective analysis of the situation and to recommend a plan of action without being influenced in any way by the interests of any house or the alumni of any house.

This is not to say that such interests *will* be a determining factor in the programs of other candidates. If particular interests are not a factor, the pressures and demands of extra-curricular activities on the time of the President of the Senate must be taken into consideration. Harvey Bricker is not so encumbered with activities that the post of Student Senate President would be just another star in his firmament.

There has been much talk in the past about the failure of the Senate to form campus policy and to act responsibly. Rather, many say, the Senate merely agrees to Administration proposals. Whether or not this is the case, it is true that the Senate could have and should have been a much more vigorous body.

The time has come for the student body to recognize and to utilize the talents of its members. Harvey Bricker is uniquely equipped to handle the presidency of the Student Senate.

It is in the spirit of making student government a meaningful force in this College, an agency for the solving of problems, and a useful organization—rather than a millstone hung about the necks of the students, faculty, and Administration—that I heartily and hopefully endorse the candidacy of Harvey Bricker for the post of President of the Student Senate.

Paul G. Wagner

John Moore

I have accepted the nomination to run for president of the Student Senate with mixed emotions, for while it is an honor to be nominated to head an organization, I do not believe that the Student Senate is a powerful organization at present.

The Student Senate should be the strong voice of student opinion that demands to be heard by the administration. It should be strong enough to have a voice in formulating the rules that govern the students.

I do not believe that the Student Senate has been a strong enough voice in the past, and I would not care to be a member of a weak Senate next year. I believe that through a reorganization of the Senate it is possible to make the Senate the real voice of student opinion.

Therefore, I submit the following proposals for a reorganized and stronger Student Senate:

1. The presidents of each of the fraternities and an elected member of the Independents would be required to be voting members of the Senate.
2. The Rushing Committee would be made up of one freshman, one sophomore, two juniors, and two seniors elected by the student body just as the Honor Court is elected. The chairman of the Rushing Committee would be a voting member of the Senate with all proposals of this committee subject to the approval of the Senate.
3. The Editor-in-Chief of the Spectator would be a voting member of the Senate.
4. The chairmen of the Chapel Board and the Student Curriculum Committee would be voting members of the Senate.

This reorganization will be my primary goal if I am elected, for I believe that student opinion can only be heard if it is voiced through a powerful and representative Student Senate which could not be ignored by the administration.

To the Editor:

As a candidate for the presidency of the Student Senate, Jack Moore has enumerated four realistic planks for the structural reorganization of the Senate. In essence, what Jack is advocating is a political forum which will more adequately represent the student body, and consequently, be a more potent policy making tool.

Hamilton is, undeniably, a fraternity college. The head of each of the eleven fraternities is the leader and voice of his particular organization. Therefore, to achieve the highest degree of representation in the Senate we must look toward an individual whose decisions will be respected and accepted by his fraternal constituency.

This takes us to Jack's first proposal; the requirement that house presidents, as well as an elected representative from the Independents, be made voting members of the Senate.

Since the introduction of total opportunity rushing in 1959, the Rushing Committee has been one of the Hill's most vital, as well as controversial, organizations. By conducting Rushing Committee elections similar to the Honor Court elections the Rushing Committee is virtually assured of an experienced membership that can profit from the successes and shortcomings of former Rushing Committees.

The chairman would be a voting member of the Senate in accordance with the current Senate precedent. The Senate would continue to approve or reject all Committee business.

J.V.M.'s third proposal calls for making the Editor-in-Chief of the *Spectator* a voting member of the Senate. Jack's logic behind such an innovation would permit the head of the *Spectator* to air his views, as well as the views of his colleagues, directly to the Senate, rather than indirectly several days after the Senate has adjourned.

I am in full accord with Jack Moore's platform, and I am supporting him for the Student Senate Presidency.

Gary Ferraro

Les Peat

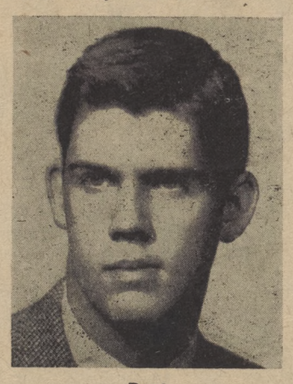
The past few years have been a period of marked changes at Hamilton; enrollment has increased, the physical plant has expanded, and our academic standing has risen. Within the Student Senate a corresponding change has taken place, though without constructive results.

The Senate has become a mere tool of the administration; rarely does it voice the grievances of the student body in the face of increased administration encroachment in areas traditionally controlled by a strong student government.

For example, it took a petition signed by over half the College to prompt consideration of a change in the rushing period. I can conclude only that we have failed in our responsibility to select representatives whose views and policies are an accurate reflection of student opinion.

Hamilton has always been a fraternity college in which fraternity membership is considered a privilege and not a right; it should not be, and, I think, will not be an eating club college. Yet this is the direction in which the Senate is leading us.

One hundred per cent opportunity and fraternities are necessarily diametrically opposed; take away the principle of selectivity and fraternities become eating clubs in fact, if not in theory. I cannot believe that this is what a fraternity-centered student body wants.



Peat

I would therefore submit the one hundred per cent issue to a referendum vote to be settled once and for all. Two years ago the Senate began a grand experiment which has been a miserable failure. It's about time we recognized this failure. and let common sense take the place of the closed minded liberalism of a few individuals which has dominated the last two Senates.

In the past few years, we have found ourselves the victims of a gradual usurpation of the freedom to live as responsible individuals, yet only a few voices in the Senate have given vent to the widespread disapproval among the student body, and consequently the process continues. If the administration will persist in this line, let them do it by open declaration without the sham of approval by a non-representative Senate.

I would make it clear that I am not advocating the wholesale abolition of rules necessary for the orderly conduct of life at Hamilton. I do feel, however, that the student body is capable of assuming its former responsibilities without the paternalistic hand-holding of the College administration.

Nevett Steele, Jr.

In the coming academic year the Student Senate will have greater responsibility than any other year in its brief history. Besides coping with the problem of further improving the rushing system and developing a sound, student-directed policy on drinking regulations and their enforcement, there is the additional challenge of helping to make a success of the sesquicentennial celebration of the founding of Hamilton College.

I would like to see the rushing system reviewed by the Senate representatives. From this review and the work of the Rushing Committee the present rushing system could be so improved as to be equally acceptable and beneficial to freshmen and fraternities.

Steele

Progress has been made, and more progress is possible. It is my opinion that the position of the fraternity on this campus has been weakened in the three years I have been here. I think that fraternities should be able to maintain and strengthen their integrity, independence, and individuality.

In the hope of preventing automobile accidents and damage caused by excessive drinking, I, as chairman of the Judiciary Committee, would continue the present policy on penalties for violations of the Social Regulations. I am convinced that problems resulting from drinking can and should be handled by a student group.

I favor the adoption of the proposed amendment to make the Judiciary Committee consist of certain members of the Senate elected either by an entire class or by the entire student body. The students should be allowed to elect their own judges.

My experience as secretary of the Senate has acquainted me with the general operation of the Senate and its committees. This experience will greatly aid me in appointing committees.

Perhaps more valuable has been my experience as a member of the Judiciary Committee, an experience which would enable me to give needed continuity to next year's Committee. The advances made by the present Judiciary Committee should not be ignored, but should be continued.

I hope that it will be my privilege to lead the Student Senate in its function as a body for student expression and action.

To the Editor:

The most important elective office on the Hill is the presidency of the Student Senate. And, as students on this campus take more interest in their government, this position becomes even more important. There are still kinks to be ironed out of the total opportunity rushing system, and the social rules are constantly being re-evaluated and reinterpreted. Almost every time the Senate meets, there is some important issue to be discussed at length.

In order that the Student Senate may be operated efficiently and wisely, a man with far-reaching experience on the Senate must be elected to the office of president. There is only one candidate with this experience — Nevett Steele.

Mr. Steele came to the Senate last spring at the mandate of the present junior class. He was elected president of the present junior class. He was elected secretary of the Senate, and was appointed by President Blessing to the judiciary committee. He has seen the Senate in action for a year now. He has contributed, through his proposals and by his arguments, to every important decision reached this year.

As a member of the judiciary committee, he has become aware of the many problems of relations between the administration and the faculty and the undergraduate body. Thus, more than any other candidate, he is aware of the tasks and the problems of the Student Senate.

Those who fear that the Senate is little more than a rubber stamp for administration proposals need not fear that this is Mr. Steele's conception of the Senate. More often than not, he has argued against proposals of the administration, such as the proposal that rushing be held during the mid-semester vacation.

And he has been instrumental in bringing about the compromises that have had to be made between the administration's views and those of the students.

But on the other hand, he has not opposed every proposal of the administration for the sake of opposition. His decisions, as I have seen them for the past year, have always been judicious.

The Student Senate needs a leader, one who can maintain the Senate as a forum of student opinion, not as a group of people who feel that they are the philosopher-kings of the campus. Mr. Steele has proven to be this kind of leader, not only on the lacrosse field but also in D.T., Was Los, the Senate, the judiciary committee, and as president of his class.

Those who believe that the Senate can play an important and helpful role in governing student affairs have only one choice in Chapel next Tuesday—to vote for Nevett Steele.

Charles M. Finn

Ronald Stone

I am, no doubt, horribly naive, but I believe this election should be decided on issues. I campaign on that premise. In fact, it is the only reason I do campaign. I don't believe in popularity contests, and have no information to make me believe I'd win one. However, I do see a real need at this time to try to discuss certain problems. Some of this discussion I have begun elsewhere.

Now, more specifically, I would like to treat the freshman "threats." I have said that I believe in total opportunity. More than this, if as Student Senate President I were convinced that an overwhelming majority of this school did not believe in it, still I would do everything I could to preserve it.

Total opportunity is the right thing, and no majority can change that. However, a minority can besmear it. We've seen this in our "threats" problem. Here, unfortunately, the individuals involved appear to act in the name of their fraternities, act supposedly for the "betterment" of their fraternities. We do not find the guilty individuals, and so we must assume that their anonymous words somehow reflect a fraternity's sentiment.

A minority accordingly discredits the majority. I do not favor a miniature police state affair, but in the case of bid issuance to freshmen I do favor some form of surveillance as less inhumane than any other possible safeguard.

I would offer as an example the empowering of Dunham Dormitory advisors to guard against any and all "threats." Yes, such a proposal is almost ludicrous, but so it must be to meet the ludicrous behavior producing it. Isn't it better to have "police" action, if you will, which would both discourage and unearth threats than to have frightened students unwilling to speak out—to have ugly rumors spreading through the college and beyond?

By close surveillance the Judiciary Committee would be better able to know whether it must deal with fraternities or with individuals. We would reduce instances to their true proportions, for I feel we must next year have some mechanism which will enable us to point at individuals. I do not want to see an entire fraternity unjustly penalized and an entire campus dirtied. We will, though, unless a lesser evil is chosen over a greater.

Obviously in the above situation I am for a strong Student Senate which accepts the limitations imposed on it from above, but yet realizes that, as the supposed voice of the student body, it can actually give voice to the sentiments of the student body. I am for a Student Senate which is a real forum, as much concerned with the lecture program as with the drinking program. I am for a Student Senate which will both accurately represent the student body and lead it.

I ask for your vote on this basis and no other—and most of all, to repeat, I ask for your serious consideration of the issues involved.

To the Editor:

The Student Senate, entering its fifth year of existence, has before it three choices of action in its general policy: to regress, to mark time, or to progress. The issue most determinant on what choice of action the Senate takes is the issue of Total Opportunity. The atmosphere created in the Senate by its action or inaction on the Total Opportunity question will affect all of its subsequent actions.

Under Art Melius, the first Senate passed the plan. It acquired further ramification under Tim Scholl, the second president. And then action rolled to a shuddering halt. Maybe action was unnecessary under the Andrews and Blessing administrations, but it is necessary now.

There has always been a sharp student division over Total Opportunity, but, like most of Hamilton's problems, this one has been frozen in a "gentlemanly" silence. Recent examples of hoodlumism in regard to enforcing the system have turned the heat on, however, and left the Senate with the above mentioned three courses of action.

It will either regress to a weakening or discontinuance of Total Opportunity, sit on it and hope that no hoodlumism occcurs next year, or strengthen Total Opportunity and, at least, see to it that no hoodlumism occurs next year or in years to come.

The Senate can also become a forum for issues of "national" significance, although up to now it has been a parochial body. I have sat in two Senates, and only in one did an issue with "national" significance come up for discussion. (I am discussing the Student Senate resolution of March 25, 1960 to write a letter of support to Negro colleges and northern colleges participating in student sit-in movements.)

What impressed me about the affair was the reluctance with which the Senate took action. It was like pulling a tooth out of a man who has only two left. Things were happening around us, but nothing was happening in the Senate. It had the power and the opportunity to extend its function, but it did so only with reluctance, and then it and the student body promptly forgot the matter. And so — the status remained and remains comfortably quo.

The next Senate has three choices of action. But so, too, does the student, for he elects the president and the senators. A strong and involved president can profoundly shape the course of Senate action. I will vote for Ron Stone, because I believe that he can provide the guidance the Senate needs in this year of choice. And, all apathy aside, the Senate does have a choice this year. The student body also has an important choice. It *will* make a difference.

Kirby Williams

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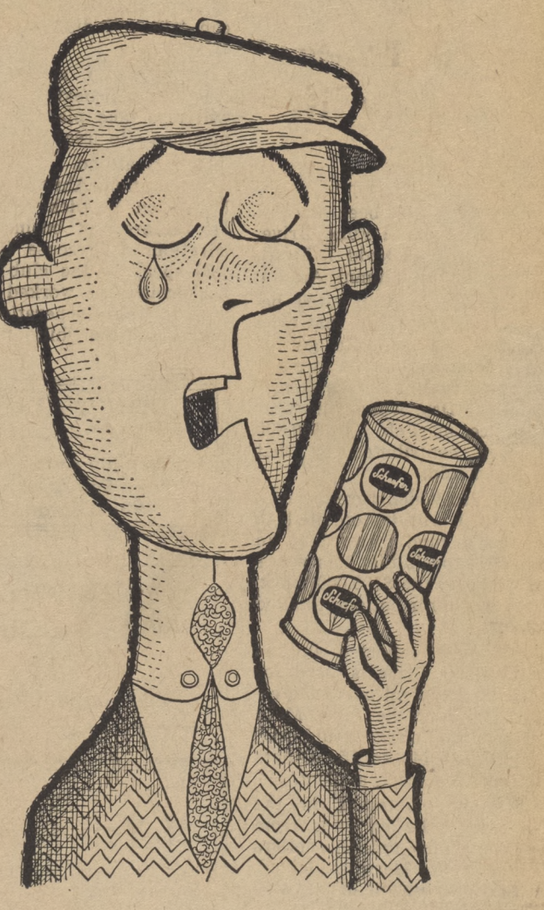

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